



*A Strategic Partnership to Enhance Sumner County's Economic Growth*

May 25, 2011

Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Commissioner Michael J. Copps  
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell  
Commissioner Meredith Allwell Baker  
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn

Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: GN Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

As the Federal Communications Commission considers the proposed merger of AT&T and T-Mobile, I urge you to support it. By combining their infrastructure and bandwidth, Tennesseans in Sumner County will have access to a faster and more reliable mobile broadband technology, which only spells increased economic opportunity in our great state.

Forward Sumner Economic Partnership provides Economic Development Services for Sumner County, Tennessee. Our mission is to unite business, community, and government to promote and foster the economic development and prosperity of Sumner County for the benefit of all citizens. As proposed, the merger is completely consistent with our mission, as the combined companies' resources will it means jobs, additional investment and a sustained pattern of economic growth.

Our state has benefitted greatly from a public policy environment that attracts investment and telecommunications expansion. At the Forward Sumner Economic Partnership, we believe this merger will allow us to make our area even more appealing to prospective investors, especially in the telecom industry.

Again, we urge you to approve this proposed merger.

Sincerely,

  
Jimmy Johnston  
President & CEO